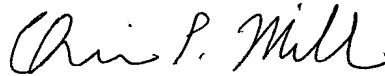


**REMARKS**

This Preliminary Amendment is being made upon entry of International Application No. PCT/EP03/0824 into the U.S. National Phase of prosecution. In the specification, an Abstract on a separate sheet is attached as required under 37 CFR 1.72(b). Claim 11 has been cancelled. Claims 3-8 have been amended to eliminate multiple dependencies and to put the claim set in the proper U.S. format. Entry of this amendment into the record is requested.

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